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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

Please preserve a level playing field for smaller broadband providers especially in rural America. In a connected society like ours, we need market driven competitive access to the world via fast, dependable, and competitively priced broadband access. Our business is very localized, but almost all of our software and infrastructure is web based, and our ability to survive and compete in our market is dependent on affordable, stable net access without artificial barriers to free market providers. I'm not asking that you tilt the scales in favor of smaller providers; I'm asking that you implement or preserve structures in which the best options can win, regardless of size of company.

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